

TOWN OF HERNDON

Enriching the Quality of Life and Promoting a Sense of Community



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YARD OF THE MONTH AWARD SEASON IS UNDERWAY

Awards Presented in May, June, July, October

Herndon, VA (March 29, 2006) – Nominations are now being accepted for the Town of Herndon's annual Yard of the Month Awards program, an opportunity to recognize the efforts of Town residents whose yards contribute to the beautification of the Town and its neighborhoods.

The Yard of the Month is awarded four times annually – May, June, July and October – and in two categories: single family homes and townhouses. Prizes include local publicity as well as a \$100 gift certificate from Meadow Farms Nurseries; winners will also be recognized by the Mayor and Town Council at public meetings.

The criteria for Yard of the Month Award selection includes the following: yards are generally free of trash and clutter; grass, trees, shrubs and plants are well-cared for and aesthetically pleasing; rocks, logs, short fences or other decorative elements are in good condition and neatly placed; and flowers and other vegetation are well-landscaped and make good use of color.

Nominations for the May Yard of the Month Award are due May 2. Nominations are due May 20 for the June award; June 20 for the July award; and September 20 for the October award.

Judges for the Yard of the Month Awards program are members of the Town of Herndon's Cultivating Community committee, a group of citizen volunteers formed to encourage beautification and to enrich the quality of life in the Town's neighborhoods.

Nomination forms for the Yard of the Month Awards will be mailed to each household within the Town of Herndon in early April. Forms are also available on the "What's New" and "Cultivating Community" pages of the Town's website, www.herndon-va.gov, and at the Neighborhood Resource Center. For more information, call 703/435-6829.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 22,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people.

For more information, visit the Town's website at www.herndon-va.gov.

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